Falconiforms

(Raptors)

This exhibit shows some of the many species of Falconiformes (birds of prey, also called raptors) found around the world. Along with the standard hooked beak and sharp talons, made for killing and tearing apart meat, these bird have an amazing diversity of other characteristics, many of which will be looked into in brief throughout this exhibit. First, I will talk about each genera of raptors, and their characteristics. From the massive extinct Haast's Eagle to the pygmy falcons, this exhibit touches on them all (except new world vultures, which are considered scavengers). Next, I will concentrate on their diet, habitat, migration, and their nesting habits. In the third section, I write about the uses we have for them, and then I will conclude with a section on conservation.

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